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- The Partido Comunista de Colombia (PCC-Communist Party of Colombia) reportedly will support candidates in various perts of the country in the forthcoming municipal elections (see SO 8688a) in an endeavor to ascertain not only the strength of their own Party, but also the relative strength of the Partido Comunista Obrero (PCO-Communist Labor Party) under the leadership of Augusto Duran.
- 2. Jesus Villegas, Secretary General of the Confederacion de Trabajadores de Colombia (CTC-Confederation of Workers of Colombia) will be the leading PCO candidate. The other PCO candidates will be selected from construction workers, who are strong supporters of the Duran movement, and upon whose support the PCC depends for success in the elections.

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